

**Minutes of the East Greenwich School Committee  
Tuesday, October 1, 2013  
Archie R. Cole Middle School Library  
100 Cedar Avenue  
East Greenwich, RI 02818**

**7:09p.m. Regular Meeting**

Those in attendance were Mr. David Green, Chair; Dr. Deidre Gifford, Vice-Chair; Mr. Jack Sommer; Mrs. Mary Ellen Winters; Ms. Carolyn Mark; Mr. Clark Smith, and Mrs. Susan Records. Dr. Victor Mercurio, Superintendent; Mrs. Maryanne Crawford, Director of Administration, and Mr. Bradley Wilson, Director of Student services were also in attendance.

**7:09p.m. Regular Meeting**

**I. Call to Order**

Mr. Green called the meeting to order at 7:09p.m.

**II. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

The meeting commenced with the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**III. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

**IV. Approval of Minutes**

**a. Regular and Executive for September 17, 2013**

On a motion by Mrs. Winters, which was seconded by Mr. Sommer, the Committee voted 6-0 to approve the executive and regular minutes for September 17, 2013. Dr. Gifford abstained.

**V. Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Mercurio noted October is National Principals' month. He thanked all building level principals' for their work. Aramark and the PTG were also thanked for their support during the water advisory. The annual Survey Works will take place in schools during the window of November 12 to December 13, 2013. Notification letters are being mailed to parents. Parents' have the choice to opt-out of the survey. Dr. Mercurio will also send out a robo-call tomorrow evening. The high school will be submitting their two-year report to NEASC. Feedback is not expected until February or March.

**VI. School Committee Concerns**

Ms. Mark discussed the current government shutdown and asked if the Superintendent can provide future input if the shutdown continues. Dr. Mercurio and Mrs. Crawford are monitoring the situation and will keep the Committee informed.

**VII. Action Items**

**a. Parental leave extension-Jillian Meyer**

On a motion by Mrs. Winters, which was seconded by Ms. Mark, the Committee voted 7-0 to approve the parental leave extension.

**b. Parental leave-Amy Cerro**

On a motion by Dr. Gifford, which was seconded by Mrs. Winters, the Committee voted 7-0 to approve the parental leave.

**c. Home School Request- grade 10**

Dr. Mercurio recommends that the Committee deny this request due to the lack of information provided as requested by the district's Home School Policy. This request is a repeated request from last year. Information is lacking under parent responsibility #5, which asks for detail description of curriculum to be covered. The Committee lacks information for approval, which is required in the School Committee Responsibility section of the policy (#1e and #1f). Dr. Mercurio will follow-up in writing with the parent as to the next steps. The Committee would like a check-off sheet for each home school request, which reflects the requirements of the School Committee Home School Policy. On a motion by Dr. Gifford, which was seconded by Mr. Sommer, the Committee voted 7-0 to deny the home school request.

**d. Appointments**

- 1. One to One Paraprofessional-Hanaford-1.0 FTE-Donna Nelson**
- 2. School Psychologist-EGHS-1.0 FTE-Shawna Iannotti**
- 3. Drama Club Advisor-Cole-Meggan Shenenfield**
- 4. Volunteer Coach Girls' Soccer-Cole-Vaji Daumont**
- 5. Grade 6 Technology (Robotics) Teacher-Cole-1 year only-0.2FTE-Steve Garneau**
- 6. Grade 6 Technology Teacher-Cole-1 year only-0.2FTE-Michael Wood**

On a motion by Mrs. Winters, which was seconded by Mr. Sommer, the Committee voted 7-0 to approve appointments #1-6.

**e. Approval-Revised Finance Committee Charge**

On a motion by Mr. Sommer, which was seconded by Dr. Gifford, the Committee voted 7-0 to approve the revised Charge.

**VIII. Sub Committee Updates**

**a. Health and Wellness Committee**

Mrs. Records gave a summary of the Health and Wellness Committee meeting that took place on September 13, 2013. She discussed the objectives for the 2013-2014 school year.

**b. Technology Advisory Committee**

Mrs. Records discussed the meeting that took place on September 27, 2013. The main topic of the meeting was wireless technology in the schools.

**IX. Adjournment**

On a motion by Mrs. Winters, which was seconded by Mr. Sommer, the Committee voted 7-0 to adjourn at 7:38p.m.

CHRISTINE DIMEGLIO  
SECRETARY